



ALEXANDRIA, VA.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1875.

The testimony before the Louisiana Investigating Committee, on Saturday, went far to show that the "intimidation" was to a large extent by the negroes themselves of their own race. Efforts for adjustment and compromise are being made, but so far they do not appear to be regarded with favor by either party. The basis upon which the members of the Congressional Committee are willing to act as arbitrators between the two parties is that the committee will undertake to decide which contestants are rightfully entitled to the five disputed seats in the Louisiana House of Delegates, the conditions being that no matter what the decision may be, the Conservatives will not endeavor to interfere with the Kellogg government, but will sustain it in good faith. Mr. Hoar and his colleagues are as fully convinced as the Foster sub-committee were that the Returning Board perpetrated a very gross fraud upon Louisiana by making up a Republican majority in the House of Delegates, and that the decisions of the committee will give the House over to the control of the Conservatives. The Conservative House of Delegates first consented to accept it, whereupon McQuary and his adherents bolted, and got up an opposition meeting, at which resolutions were adopted pledging the Conservative party to a steady opposition to any compact which involved the recognition of the Kellogg Government. Another difficulty appears in the attitude of the members who constitute the Kellogg House of Delegates, as they will not consent that Mr. Hoar's Committee shall turn out the half dozen members who constitute the majority.

The Committee on Finance of the Legislature have agreed that the specific license on purchases of \$2,000 or less, shall be \$10. On \$2,000 or under \$40,000, \$10, and 50 cents on the \$100 in excess of \$2,000; on \$40,000 and under \$60,000, \$10, and 40 cents on the \$100 in excess of \$2,000; on \$60,000 and under \$80,000, in excess of \$2,000, \$10, and 30 cents on the \$100; on \$80,000 and under \$100,000, \$10, and 20 cents on the \$100 in excess of \$2,000; on \$100,000 or over, \$10, and 10 cents on the \$100 in excess of \$2,000.

Mr. Longley, delegate from Washington county, in the Legislature, who was robbed of his watch some time ago, has been presented with a magnificent stem-winding gold watch and heavy gold chain by the members of the House.

George Dabney Wootton, a well known character of Richmond, who is deemed a practitioner of law, was arrested charged with being a lunatic, but subsequently released at the instance of his friends, who satisfied the Justice that he was of sound mind.

The grand jury of Nottingham has indicted George W. Graham, the witness in the Stowell case, and his trial will come off at the May term of the court.

Tsac-tien, son of Prince Chun, has been proclaimed Emperor of China.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

"To show the very age and body of the Times"

The drought in the Eastern States is becoming a question of very serious consideration. In some quarters melted snow is the only drink that can be furnished the cattle, and in others their owners are shipping them off to prevent their dying of thirst. There were no rains previous to the beginning of cold weather, and unless there are heavy spring rains, the dry ground may prove as detrimental to the Eastern crops as the grasshoppers have to those of the West.

As the facts concerning the robbery of an Adams Express Company's safe in New York come to light it appears to be an affair of great daring and magnitude. Three men, two of whom were in the employ of the company, have been arrested as the criminals, although information is difficult to obtain, the amount of money the safe contained is fixed at \$50,000, of which \$75,000 are said to have been already recovered.

A sharp conflict is impending between the striking operatives and the mill owners at Fall River. The female hands have a large share in the matter, and have resolved to fight it out until they receive the wages they demand. Some of the mills will attempt to run to day with new employees, and there are threats that they will not be allowed to go to work if the strikers can hinder them.

On Saturday last the Pope received a number of Americans, including Miss Emily Mason, of this place, who was accompanied by several ladies from Baltimore, some of the members of the family of General R. E. Lee, and Judge Woodward, of Philadelphia. The parties were presented by the Rector of the North American College.

On Saturday several of the members of the Committees on Appropriations and Public Buildings of the House of Representatives visited Baltimore, to inquire as to the necessity of the erection of a new building for the accommodation of the Postoffice.

Rev. Leighton Coleman, of Toledo, Ohio, has telegraphed his declination of the office of Bishop of Fond du Lac, to which he was elected some three weeks ago. No reasons are given for the declination.

The Philadelphia City Comptroller refuses to pay the warrants of the Board of Health for street cleaning, on the ground that the contractors have not complied with the conditions of their contract during January.

Mr. Gilbert Burling, the well-known artist, died at Riverdale, New York, yesterday afternoon. Deceased was the founder of the Water Color Society.

A London dispatch announces that the Earl of Yarborough is dead. This was the nobleman whose eccentricities were the subject of a great deal of comment two years ago.

AQUEDUCT BRIDGE.—In the U. S. House of Representatives on Saturday last Mr. Hitchcock introduced a bill to amend an act entitled "An act relating to the Alexandria canal," approved July 27, 1868, and which gives authority to the canal company to operate and maintain across the Potomac, from Georgetown to the Virginia shore, upon and over stone piers upon which the aqueduct now rests, in conjunction therewith, a bridge of wood, iron or stone, for the passage of persons, animals and vehicles. The rate of toll fixed is as follows:—Foot passengers, one cent; horses, mules or jacks, with rider, two cents; for each horse without rider, or ox or other horned cattle, two cents; for each vehicle drawn by one animal, eight cents, or fifteen cents both ways; each vehicle drawn by two animals, ten cents each way; by four animals fifteen cents; hogs, sheep or other live creatures at the rate of fifty cents per hundred. Provided, The company shall furnish toll tickets, when purchased in quantities of not less than fifty, at one-half the above rates.

The expected message of the President on Southern affairs will, it is understood, comprise principally the statements and recommendations which he has sought to impress upon Senators and members during his frequent visits to the capitol in the last few weeks.

The Legislature is to be asked to appropriate \$1,000 to enable the fruit-growers of this State to forward to the Chicago exhibition, in September next, a full specimen of the various fruits in season.

Richard Harrington, Assistant United States District Attorney for the District, has resigned that position.

## CONGRESS.

In the Senate, Saturday, the credentials of T. F. Randolph, elected Senator from New Jersey for the term commencing March 4, 1875, were presented and placed on file. Prochaska's petition to be admitted to his seat was received. The bill to create the territory of Oklahoma was postponed until next December. The House bill appropriating \$20,000 additional to its contingent fund for payment of expenses of Investigating Committees was agreed to. Mr. Edmund's bill, regulating the counting of the electoral vote, was reported from the Committee on Elections. A Cincinnati memorial in favor of the subsidy to the Texas-Pacific Railroad was presented. The Committee on Pensions reported a bill granting pensions to the soldiers and sailors of the war of 1812 and the Indian war of 1811, and restoring to the rolls the names of pensioners stricken therefrom under the act of 1862 for disability, and the bill was laid over for subsequent consideration. The House bill to revise the laws for the seizure of fire on steam vessels was discussed, but no action taken. The Civil Rights bill was read the first time, but objection was made to a second reading. The Senate then went into executive session, and at its close adjourned.

In the House of Representatives an investigation was ordered into the expenditure of Government funds in the Western district of North Carolina since 1872. A resolution was adopted with a view of discovering whether the law has been violated by preparations to print the portrait of any living person upon the national currency. The bill relating to Fies of officers of United States Courts was referred to a committee of conference. The special committee on affairs to Arkansas submitted majority and minority reports. The majority report declared the new Constitution republican in form and legally adopted; that the persons now in office were lawfully elected; that no unusual disorder exists among the mass of the people; that the cases of violence reported are the work of a few wild and turbulent men, and finally, that no grounds exist either for Congressional or Federal interference. Mr. Ward, who alone signed the minority report, declares the people "budding," the Constitution void, and the Government unlawful. He is, therefore, in favor of Congressional action. It was not decided whether these reports will be called up for action or not. The members of the conference committees on the Legislative Appropriation bill, and the bill relating to the loss of United States Marshals, &c., were announced. The Hepburn Canal bill was taken up, and a number of members addressed the House upon the project. Mr. Dawes made an earnest protest against adopting any measure calling for large expenditures until Congress determined what should be done to meet the rapidly decreasing revenues, and the prospect that the Government will not have money enough for its current expenses. Mr. Dawes' appeal deterred the House from a vote, and without taking any definite action it adjourned.

## VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE.

In the Senate, on Friday, the House amendment to the bill to incorporate the Virginia Land and Colonization Co. was agreed to.

Bills were reported from committees to amend the Code in relation to canvassing election returns; for the relief of Philip Timbers, of Culpeper county; and for the relief of the survivors of A. S. Modest, late treasurer of Page county.

A bill authorizing the payment of a certain sum of money to J. G. Mason for assistance in the prosecution of criminals in King George, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A bill was introduced to provide for the establishment of a bar at statistics.

In committee of the whole the bill for the establishment of a new lunatic asylum, was considered, and it was determined that on Wednesday week the site for the said asylum shall be chosen by a vote of the Senate, the roll being called and each member voting for the place of his choice; the locality receiving the smallest number of votes being dropped each time until a selection is made.

The Senate adjourned till to day.

In the House of Delegates bills were reported to amend the Code in reference to the propagation of small pox; to amend the Code in relation to organization of juries; for the relief of Healey A. Crump, of Alexandria city; to amend the Code in relation to offenses against property; to amend the Code in relation to juries; to sell the commons in the town of Woodstock, Shenandoah county; and for the relief of Benj. T. Chinn, of Prince William county.

Bills were passed to authorize the issue by the city of Petersburg of \$200,000 of bonds, &c.; to authorize the Hebrew congregation of Alexandria to borrow money; to amend the charter of the town of Charlottesville; to provide for the appointment of fish commissioners; also the joint resolution asking an appropriation from the Congress of the United States in behalf of the Dismal Swamp canal.

The bill to encourage land purchasers and actual settlers in Virginia failed to receive a two-thirds vote—ages 61, votes 37.

The bill to amend the charter of the Potomac Land and Improvement Company was recommended.

The joint resolutions proposing amendments to articles third, sixth, and tenth of the Constitution, came up as the special order. Among the provisions of the bill was one requiring that all elections shall be by ballot. This was disapproved at a recent conference of the Conservative members. Mr. Dooley moved to strike out this requirement, and his motion prevailed.

One of the amendments proposed in the resolutions is to add to the classes excluded from voting, persons convicted of petty larceny. This was adopted. A long and brisk debate took place over a motion to strike out the stringent duelling clause in the constitution. This amendment was withdrawn in order to allow the inserting in lieu of this clause of the provision of the old constitution, which authorizes the General Assembly to legislate on the subject.

Pending consideration the House adjourned.

On Saturday an adverse report was made upon the bill to incorporate the town of Van Burenville.

Rills were reported extending the time for J. B. Golding, late treasurer of Shenandoah county, to settle with the Commonwealth; in relation to persons visiting Mount Vernon; and to incorporate the Virginia Debt Company.

A bill was introduced to amend the Code with reference to county levies.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Governor, conveying the request of the United States Centennial Commission, that the State of Virginia take immediate steps to be properly represented in the International Exhibition at Philadelphia next year, which was referred.

In response to a resolution of enquiry the Auditor of Public Accounts communicated a statement of the mileage annually received by the judge of each circuit for attendance upon regular and special terms since 1870. The following is a summary: Judge George Blow, 1st circuit, \$902.88; Judge Weisiger, 2d circuit, \$808.20; Judge Dickinson, 3d circuit, \$1,213.60; Judge Tredway, 4th circuit, \$928; Judge Wingfield, 5th circuit, \$1,508.90; Judge Shackelford, 6th circuit, \$1,662; Judge Wellford, 7th circuit, \$903.20; Judge Garrison, 8th circuit, \$1,615.60; Judge Jeffries, 9th circuit, \$2,362; Judge Barton, 10th circuit, \$1,788.80; Judge Keith, 11th circuit,

\$1,352.80; Judge Turner, 12th circuit, \$920.80; Judge McLaughlin, 13th circuit, \$1,311.01; Judge McLeod, 14th circuit, \$1,001.60; Judge Fulton, 15th circuit, \$936.20; Judge Kelly, 16th circuit, \$944.90. Aggregate amount to February 6th, 1875, \$25,562.52.

The House bill to create a normal school in the public schools was discussed till the special committee order.

The amendments to the constitution, in joint resolutions proposing to amend articles 3, 8 and 10, was resumed. Mr. Coghill having the floor in opposition to striking out the provision in regard to duelling.

Mr. Coghill was followed by Messrs. Talliferro and J. A. Carter on the same side, and the motion to strike out the provision was rejected.

The proposed amendment adopting viva voce voting was struck out.

The proposed amendments in regard to the tax on property for the support of schools, and the increase of the capitation tax, were struck out.

The joint resolutions were then ordered to engrossment and a third reading.

The immigration bill was postponed until next week's day.

The House joint resolutions proposing further amendments to the constitution were postponed until this afternoon.

The H. res. bill to prevent counterfeit and improperly obtained coins from being received for taxes, etc., was taken up, but before being considered the House adjourned.

## AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

The following joint resolutions, amending the constitution, articles third, eighth and tenth, were on Saturday ordered to be engrossed by the House of Delegates:

1. Resolved by the Senate and House of Delegates (and a majority of the members elected to both Houses agreeing thereto), That the following amendments and the schedule annexed thereto be and they are hereby referred to the general election of senators and members of the House of Delegates, for its concurrence, in conformity with article twelve of said constitution, VZ:

Strikes from the Constitution of Virginia the first section of the third article, in reference to the duties of the judges of the Supreme Court, and in lieu thereof insert the following:

Sec. 1. Every male citizen of the United States, twenty-one years old, who shall have been a resident of the State twelve months, and of the county, city or town in which he shall offer to vote three months, and who shall be qualified by law to vote, shall be eligible to the office of senator, or member of the House of Delegates, for its concurrence, in conformity with article twelve of said constitution, VZ:

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## COMMERCIAL.

Alexandria Market, February 8.

WHEAT, Fine.....	3 75 @ 4 00
Superfine.....	4 50 @ 4 75
Extra.....	5 25 @ 5 50
Family.....	6 00 @ 6 10
Family, common to fair.....	6 75 @ 7 25
Fair to good.....	7 00 @ 7 50
Good to prime.....	7 15 @ 7 50
Prime to choice.....	7 18 @ 7 25
Choice.....	7 25 @ 7 50
White.....	7 25 @ 7 50
Yellow.....	7 25 @ 7 50
Bar-Corn.....	3 50 @ 3 75
RYE.....	0 65 @ 0 65
CHICKENS, dressed.....	2 50 @ 3 50
TURKEYS.....	0 12 @ 0 15
DUCKS.....	2 50 @ 3 50
BUTTER, prime.....	0 50 @ 0 55
Common to middling.....	0 45 @ 0 50
EGG.....	0 25 @ 0 25
IRISH POTATOES.....	0 05 @ 0 10
CLOVER SEED.....	6 75 @ 7 00
SALFING CLOVER.....	7 50 @ 8 00
RYE, Oats, country.....	0 12 @ 0 13
Wheat.....	0 14 @ 0 15
Shells.....	0 12 @ 0 13
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LARD.....	0 14 @ 0 16
PRESSED HOGS.....	6 00 @ 6 00
DRIED APPLES.....	0 6 @ 0 8
PLASTER, ground, per ton.....	7 50 @ 8 00
Ground, in bags or bbls.....	8 50 @ 9 00
Ground, in bags, red.....	4 25 @ 4 50
Ground, in bags, white.....	4 25 @ 4 50
SALT, G. A. (Liverpool).....	1 20 @ 1 30
Fin.....	2 10 @ 2 30
Turkey Island.....	0 35 @ 0 40

REMARKS.—What is in light receipt, and the market is quiet and unchanged; offerings of 602 bushels red, with sales at 105, 110, 112, 115, 117 and 120, according to quality—better for prime. Corn is dull and lower; offerings of 1104 bushels mixed, with sales at 75 and 78. Rye is in light receipt, with sales at 85. Oats are less firm, and prices are in light; offerings of 96 bushels, with sales at 65.

RAILROAD RECEIPTS.—The following were the receipts by the Washington and Ohio R. R. last week:

Wheat 1554 bushels, corn 1862, ear corn 40 bbls, meal 74 bushels, feed 85 bushels, flour 34 bbls, eggs 10 bbls and boxes, poultry 32 bbls and boxes, butter 24 bbls and boxes, hams 15 bbls, calves 35 head, hogs 2 bbls, hams 85 bbls, old iron 250 lbs, pork 380 lbs, castings and pipes 2400 lbs, plows 3, hay 7 cwt, stock 2 cars, rails 1 car, stock 2 cars.

PORT OF ALEXANDRIA, FEB. 8.

Sun rose..... 6 58; Moon sets..... 8 18  
Sun sets..... 5 31; High water..... 0 00

MEMORANDA.

Per Criterion, for this port, sailed from Norfolk.

At this residence, in Lexington, Va., on Saturday morning, January 30, Capt. DAVID E. MOORE, aged 77, Captain Moore had been a practitioner of law for over fifty years, but during this time he had filled other important positions, and his influence was felt in other than legal circles. The Lexington Gazette says: "He was probably more than any other citizen of the county identified with the history of Rockbridge. Born at the home of his honored father, Gen. Andrew Moore, near Lexington, raised in due to the whole people of his native county, and having spent half a century with them, one of their most prominent and active citizens, during which period he had acquired and retained the respect and confidence of the public, not only in the private walks of life, but in all the high and responsible positions conferred upon him, the whole community could not but only experience that in his death they had sustained a great loss."

The death of Major JAMES L. CARRI, who placed his residence, near Charleston, Kan., was a great loss to the community. He was a grand nephew of Thomas Jefferson, and was born in Albemarle county in 1812, and educated at the University of Virginia. In 1837 he removed to Kansas, and in 1840 he was elected to the Confederate States service. Major Carr was a conspicuous man for his high sense of honor, his frank and easily demonstrated straightforwardness of conduct, his excellent judgment, and fine knowledge of men, and leaves a host of friends and admirers.

On the 30th ultimo, at "Spring Hill" Farm, near this place, died his father, R. A. Carr, after a protracted and painful illness, Mr. CARR, aged about six years.

In Poplar county, on the 1st instant, RICHARD VOWLES, aged about 70 years. The deceased was a reserved and industrious man, and spent his strength and energy in the support of his aged parents.

Mr. CHARLES KEMPER, sr., died at his residence, near Warrenton, Va., on Sunday, January 31st, 1875. He had a long life of 78 years.

At her residence, near Manassas, February 1, after a short illness, Miss ANN HAMMETT, aged 86 years.

At the same place, on February 6th, Miss CATHERINE HAMMETT, sister of Ann, aged 82 years, both of pneumonia.

At her husband's residence, four miles from Manassas, Feb. 24, Mrs. Captain WILLIAM C. BRETTE, in the 47th year of her age.

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